FMCSA Systems Release Notice
November 8, 2009

Updates to the following FMCSA safety applications were released on November 8, 2009: L&I, MCMIS, and SAFER. Functionality delivered by this release was made available on Monday, November 9. A general listing of application data updates, fixes, and overall enhancements is below. For additional details or if you have questions, please contact the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) Technical Support team at 617.494.3003 or FMCTechSup@dot.gov.

FMCSA Central Systems

The following updates were released on November 8, 2009.

L&I (Licensing and Insurance)

The following changes were implemented in L&I.

1) Overall enhancements

- A Personal Identification Number (PIN) system similar to that in MCMIS has been implemented in L&I. Users should note the following process changes and general updates:
    - All Company users will be required to enter a PIN when modifying existing L&I Company records;
    - L&I will use existing MCMIS PIN information for Companies with existing DOT numbers;
    - Letters that include the new L&I PIN information have been sent to Companies;
    - Carriers can now request their PIN numbers through L&I.

- L&I letters have been updated to reflect the current Division Chief's signature.

- L&I has been updated so that the "Mexican Carriers No Contact" and "Mexican Carriers Unable to Contact" letters can now be displayed in the MCMIS.

- A "chameleon carrier" edit check which requires users to indicate whether they have had any relationship to any other FMCSA regulated entity within the past three years has been added to L&I.

2) Application fixes

- The PAY.GOV interface has been modified to correctly process zero-value transactions.

MCMIS (Motor Carrier Management Information System)

The following changes were implemented in MCMIS.

1) Overall enhancements

- A more stringent credit card verification procedure for online transactions and inter-system coordination of PIN assignments has been implemented.

SAFER (Safety and Fitness Electronic Records)

The following changes were implemented in SAFER.

1) Overall enhancements

- In support of the new L&I PIN system, SAFER will now pass information to PAY.GOV for use in the verification process for all transactions.
- The warning regarding L&I online changes has been removed from the SAFER homepage.
- National Out of Service (OOS) rates were temporarily removed from the SAFER page on October 14, 2009.